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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT MAILED JULY 15, 2008

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 15, 2008, Applicants elect the invention of **Group II** (claims 110-121), drawn to a method. The election is made **without traverse**.

At page 3 of the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner requests that Applicants elect a species of SIRT1 molecule. In response, Applicants elect the species of **SIRT1 nucleic acid**. Claims 110, 111, 113-121 read on the elected species.

Applicants understand that this species election is being made for search purposes only. Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which depend from or otherwise incorporate all the limitations of an allowable generic claim. For example, claim 110 is generic.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicant hereby requests any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 50/2762.

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